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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Mrs. Grant died Sunday night at her home in Washington City. —— All the depositions have been taken in the U. S. Supreme Court in the case of the State of South Dakota against the State of North Carolina. —— Senator Pritchard declares in favor of a reduction of representation of Southern States in Republican national conventions. —— The Statehood bill and the Militia bill were discussed by the Senate yesterday. —— In the House a bill passed for a union railroad station in Washington to cost four million dollars. —— Alice Hopkins was murdered Sunday at Live Oak, Fla., by John Burns. —— Italy will participate in the blockade of Venezuelan ports. —— The State Dsparment at Washington has notified the allies that American vessels at Venezuela must not be interfered with. —— Among Senators and Representatives the situation is regarded as critical, but it is not believed the United States will become involved in the controversy. —— Three lives lost in a tenement house fire in New York city. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call was firm at 4@10 per cent. Cotton quiet at 8.65c; flour was quiet but steady; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 83½c; corn—spot dull, No. 2 64c; oats—spot firm, No. 3 37½c; rosin firm; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 15

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 36 degrees; 8 P. M., 49 degrees; maximum, 54 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees; mean, 44 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 2 36.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 —For North Carolina: Rain Tuesday; brisk to high west to south winds. Wednesday fair.

STORM WARNING.

Northeast storm signals displayed Sunday night were changed at 9:50 P. M. Monday to southeast signals. The storm was over southern Lake Michigan, moving north northeast. High east to southeast winds Tuesday.

Port Almanac---December 16.

Sun Rises	7.04 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.47 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 45 M.
High Water at Southport	8.35 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	10.05 A. M.

One thing can be said about that new negro party to be organized in Alabama; there will be no trouble in identifying it.

Edison has discovered an electrical way to destroy disease germs. Very few of them can stand two or three thousand volts.

The piracy industry still flourishes in the Philippine waters, but we haven't heard any one claiming that as one of the results of the Dingley tariff.

It is reported that the Mad Mullah was speared in the stomach while at prayer. There is no evidence yet that England is very mad about it.

The British and German operations in Venezuela have done what President Castro had been trying to do for some time, brought the Venezuelans together, and temporarily at least, stopped the domestic fracas.

The Japs certainly could not have read that send off John Barrett gave Japan in his article published in the current number of *The Review of Reviews*; or they would not have objected to him as Minister Buck's successor.

It is said that the late T. B. Reed, who went to New York a poor man, made $200,000 in the past two years in dealing in stocks. He got the right kind of tips. In addition to that he was making about $50,000 a year in his law practice.

Seventy-five operatives in a Lancaster, Pa., factory struck a few days ago. They were getting along all right and everything was serene until the operators appointed a negro supervisor. That didn't strike their fancy and they struck. Some things white folks don't like anywhere.

A Pennsylvania sovereign who is 87 years old, has a brother aged 83 and a sister 80, says if you want to live long "live right, get plenty of sleep, treat everybody right, speak kindly to every one, and be temperate in eating and drinking," and a pretty good recipe it is whether it guarantees longevity or not.

Bernard N. Baker, retired from business in Baltimore, is devoting some of his time to dividing $350,000 among the employes who helped him make his money, and has thus set a commendable example for others who have accumulated more money they have any use for.

NEWS AT STATE CAPITAL.

Great Falls Manufacturing Co. Increases Capital—Tilt Between Spears and Judge Purnell.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 15.—The charter of the Great Falls Manufacturing Co., of Rockingham, was amended today, allowing an increase of capital from $100,000 to $150,000. D.L. Gore, L. B. Rogers and H. C. Bridgers filed the application.

The Blades Lumber Co., of Newbern, was chartered with $150,000 capital to-day. W. B. Blades and Jas. B. Blades are among the incorporators.

The State Auditor mailed to county registers of deeds to-day the warrants on the treasury for pensions due the Confederate veterans of each county. The roll comprises 11,800, an increase of 3,425 over last year. The portion of $300,000 for each pensioner will, therefore, be considerably less than last year.

Judge Purnell says he has not made a demand for the removal of Oscar Spears, U. S. Assistant District Attorney, but he wrote a private letter to Washington telling of his contemptuous conduct in the Federal court here. He will make no public statement of the situation. The general belief here is that Spears will be removed. J. A. Giles, C. M. Bernard, F. H. Whitaker and others are in Washington now looking after personal interests in the case Spears' official head is cut off. District Attorney Skinner also went to Washington to-day. Spears has since made an apology to Purnell but the Judge told him it was too late.

Notice was received here from Bishop Smith to-night that the original conference appointments of Rev. G. T. Adams to the Central church of Raleigh, and Rev. R. C. Beaman to Trinity church, Durham; Rev. L. E Thompson to Washington and Rev. F. M. Shamburger to Fifth Street, Wilming on, would stand, and that Washington would have to receive Rev. Mr. Thompson. The Raleigh church rebelled against the removal of their pastor, Rev. Mr. Adams. After notice that he would remain the stewards to-night voted him an increase from $1,000 to $1 200 in salary.

The action of Judge Purnell referred to above is the result of a rupture with the assistant attorney that occurred in open court in Raleigh last week. The information received is that during the trial of a case Mr. Spears was examining a witness in an aggressive manner, when the judge interrupted him and forbade him continuing the examination along the lines he had undertaken. The assistant attorney, so it is said, was rebuked for employing what was termed bulldozing methods. The judge's action incensed Mr. Spears, whereupon he suggested that his honor finish the examination of the witness. This is said to have angered Judge Purnell, who further rebuked Mr. Spears, informing him that such conduct on the part of a subordinate officer of the court was contemptuous. Efforts were made to bring about a reconciliation and the avenue opened to Mr. Spears for squaring himself with the court was an apology in open session. This suggestion he failed to take advantage of and Judge Purnell has brought the situation to a climax.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The STAR returns its thanks to the Home Brewing Co. for a handsome New Year calendar.

— Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones will entertain a party of notable society folk from the North at "Airlie" during the Xmas holidays.

— At auction to-morrow noon at the Court House a desirable small house and lot on Fourth street, between Bladen and Harnett, will be sold.

— The meeting of the Board of Aldermen did not materialize last night. The call was not made by the required number of members of the Board as was expected.

— U. S. Steamboat Inspectors Rice and Borden, of Charleston, are in the city and will to-day make a regular inspection of the steamers *Hurt*, *Emma* and *Buck*, of the harbor craft.

— Rev. John Webb, colored, is in the city soliciting aid for the Colored Orphans' Asylum at Oxford, N. C. He bears excellent testimonials as to his personal character and the worthiness of the cause which he represents.

— The Electrical Wire Workers' Union enjoyed a smoker and initiated four new members at a regular meeting last night on the fourth floor of the Atlantic National Bank building. The refreshments were served by the Excelsior Cafe.

— Seven cases were disposed of in the police court yesterday, a majority of the defendants having been fined $5 and costs. Two of them—Lebby Lane, colored, for an affray, and William Hugh Douglas, colored, for drunkenness—were sent to the roads for 30 days each.

— It is reported that a few flakes of snow fell in Wilmington as early as 7 o'clock yesterday morning. Later the weather moderated considerably and the day was a very pleasant one, the atmosphere being just crisp enough for overcoats and wraps and not too cold to interfere with Christmas shopping.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice—Bids wanted.
People's Savings Bank—New year.
Wilmington Grocery Co.—Christmas goods.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lost—Shot-speckled hound.
At Auction—Small house and lot.

Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic will drive out every trace and taint of Grip Poison from the blood and do its work quick and do it right. Old and neglected cases of Grip are quickly cured by a course of this wonderful medicine. Write to A. B. Girardeau, Savannah, Ga., for Agency. †

BIG COTTON CARGO.

The British Steamer Hermiston, Cleared Yesterday, Largest Loaded Here.

THE MARKETS AND SHIPPING.

Schooners in at Southport On Account of Head Winds—Naval Stores Bringing Good Prices—Southbound Fleet Sailed Sunday.

Except one in 1899, the British steamer *Hermiston*, Capt. W. L. Bain, cleared yesterday with the largest cargo of cotton ever shipped from the port of Wilmington. She goes to Liverpool and carries 16,165 bales, 7,917,555 pounds, valued at $573,000, and at $673,000, and consigned by Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. The largest cargo ever taken from Wilmington was aboard the British steamer *Almora*, 2,835 tons, which was cleared by Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son Oct. 4th, 1899, with 16,600 bales, 8,456,294 pounds, valued at $634,300. The steamer which cleared yesterday has a displacement of four net tons more than the *Almora*, but on account of her shape she carries 435 bales of cotton less than the record breaker of 1899. This year's cargo is, however, more valuable by $38,700, notwithstanding the smaller number of bales, as will be seen by the figures above. The *Hermiston* will sail this morning with a displacement of something over 20 feet or 2,839 tons. Messrs. Sprunt & Son are to be congratulated upon the wonderful development of Wilmington's trade abroad. They are pioneers in this enterprise, the firm having been established in 1866. On Oct. 5th 1881 their first steamer went to the same port for which the *Hermiston* will sail to-day—Liverpool. Steamers that came here then were small, the first having carried only 3,458 bales of cotton, 673 casks of spirits turpentine and 550 barrels of rosin. Now great foreign ships proceed with ease up the river and depart with cargoes nearly five times as large as then. It is an example upon a large scale of what industry and enterprise will accomplish in any business.

Schooner *Henry Weiler*, Charleston to Providence, was spoken off the Cape Fear bar Sunday and asked to be reported. Yesterday she came into Southport harbor on account of head winds and is awaiting favorable weather to proceed. The schooner *Rebecca R. Douglass*, Georgetown to New York, is also at Southport awaiting favorable weather.

There are advances all along the line in the turpentine market. Yesterday spirits was firm at 51½ cents; rosin, firm at $1.35@$1.40; tar, firm at $1.60, and crude, firm at $1.75@$3.00. These are the best all-round prices that have prevailed in some time.

The Norwegian barque *Fram*, hence with cargo for New Castle-on-Tyne; British schooner *W. S. Fielding*, hence with cargo for Hayti, and the American schooner *Scotia*, Portland, Me., to Havana, passed out at Southport 8 A. M. Sunday.

British schooner *Havelock* arrived Sunday, light, from St. Kitt's, consigned to J. T. Riley & Co. She will receive a cargo of lumber.

CAMPBELL ENCAMPMENT, I. O. O. F.

Officers Elected at Meeting Last Night for Ensuing Term.

Campbell Encampent No. 1, I. O. O. F. at its regular meeting last night elected officers for the ensuing term as follows:

C. P.—J. E. Wood.
S. W.—P. H Murphy.
J. W.—A. G Martin.
H. P.—E D. Craig.
Treasurer—N. Jacobi.
Scribe—W. H. Howell.

These with the appointed officers will be installed the first Monday night in January.

Boy Ran Into Live Wire.

A little son of Mr. J. F. Sellars, the grocer at 1116 North Fourth street, ran into a telephone wire which had been heavily charged with electricity from a trolley wire over which it had fallen Sunday afternoon, near Fourth and Swann streets. The boy was knocked unconscious from a bicycle which he was riding at the time and received a severe burn on the neck. He was removed to the home of his father, about half a block distant, where he was reported yesterday to be doing very well.

New Lodge of Elks.

Washington (N. C.) Lodge No. 822, Benevolent, Protective Order of Elks, will be instituted with a fine charter list the latter part of this week. Past District Deputy H. J. Gerken, of Wilmington, has received an invitation from District Deputy Lewis M. Bourne, of Asheville, to be present at the installation, but owing to pressing business engagements here, he has had to decline with regret.

At Y. M. C. A. To-night.

Seats are being reserved rapidly for the appearance of Mr. S. M. Spedon, editor of *Talent*, New York City, in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium this evening. He will furnish the fourth number in the Star Course of Entertainments of the Association. Mr. Spedon is a cartoonist and caricaturist of national reputation and it is said that several local characters will appear on his canvas. Seats are now sale at DeRosset's.

Kress' 5 and 10c Store is now open at night for Xmas shoppers. †

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE RELIGION.

Ex-Judge Ewing, of Chicago, Spoke to a Very Representative Audience in Academy Last Evening.

Perhaps the clearest exposition of the Christian Science doctrine ever given in Wilmington was that by ex-Judge William G. Ewing, of Chicago, in the Academy of Music last evening under the auspices of the First Church of Christ, Scientists, of this city.

The audience which heard Judge Ewing was not large; neither was it small, and all who listened to him were impressed with his earnest manner of presenting that phase of religion of which he is one of the chief exponents.

Judge Ewing was introduced briefly by Robert Ruark, Esq., of the Wilmington bar, and he spoke for an hour and a half. In his opening remarks, he referred to a previous and very pleasant visit to Wilmington and paid a high tribute to North Carolina and North Carolinians. The popular conception of Christian Science, he said, was an erroneous one and one which had been gained very often without investigation. It was not antagonistic to the religion of Christ, but on the other hand was founded upon a literal interpretation of the Gospel as handed down by Christ to his disciples. Because of this fancied antagonism the people of the old church were prejudiced against the Christian Science religion, and it was to correct this false impression, that he would first address the audience. The speaker devoted perhaps half of his address to this phase of the subject and then explained in lucid terms exactly what he conceived to be the doctrine of his church. There was nothing mysterious or occult about it, he said. Christian Scientists respect and work on the same foundation and promote identically the same essentials of the religion of Christ as the old church of no matter what creed or sect. For that reason there should be no prejudice against them. They are exercising their strength and power with the others to build up the kingdom of God. The healing of the sick, the lame, the blind and the halt was with the same power and strength that the disciples of old accomplished such blessings to humanity long ago. What was true, so far as God is concerned, nineteen hundred years ago, is true to-day. The speaker ascribed the fact that he was living at the present to the blessing he had received some years ago from this conception of what he regarded as the living truth. In closing he paid a beautiful tribute to woman, the founder of this religion, and said that in his opinion future generations, if not this, would live to look upon Mrs. Eddy as the greatest blessing to mankind since the coming of Christ to this world.

Judge Ewing spoke eloquently and with the force of the trained logician that he is.

ELKS' CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

Ladies Requested to Meet This Afternoon. Executive Committee This Evening.

The ladies of the city, especially those who attended the first meeting last week, are requested to meet their chairman, Mrs. Joseph H. Watters, in the parlors of the Elks' Temple this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for the purpose of perfecting plans for the Christmas tree and dinner to the children of the city on Friday afternoon, Dec. 26th.

The Executive Committee of Elks in charge of the Christmas tree and dinner are requested to meet in the Temple at 8:15 o'clock this evening. At the same time the Chairman calls upon all all loyal Elks to meet and confer with the committee in regard to the same event.

MONUMENT UNVEILING SUNDAY.

Beautiful Tribute to Memory of the Late E B Burkhimer by W. O. W.

An unusually large number of persons were present Sunday afternoon at the ceremonies attending the unveiling of a handsome monument erected by Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, over the grave of their deceased sovereign, E. B. Burkhimer, in Oakdale cemetery.

The programme of exercises as printed in these columns Sunday morning was observed to the letter. The address of Robert Ruark, Esq., is spoken of as having been one of the best ever heard upon a similar occasion in Wilmington.

The grave of the deceased was covered with beautiful flowers, and the service was beautiful and impressive.

Esteemed Colored Citizen Dead.

John Harris Howe, a well known and respected colored man of Wilmington, died rather suddenly Sunday night about 10 o'clock at his home, No. 116 Castle street. The cause of his death was organic heart disease. He was born in Wilmington and lived here all his life, enjoying the confidence not only of members of his own race but that of the white people as well. He was 61 years of age and leaves a wife and six children. His wife was visiting in the North at the time of his death and until she can be heard from, the funeral arrangements will not be made. Deceased was a contractor and builder, his last job having been the extensive repairs to the interior of the First Presbyterian church, which he had completed only a few days before his death.

Kress' 5 and 10c Store is now open at night for Xmas shoppers. †

BISHOP SURRENDERS.

Young Travelling Man, Wanted for Murder, in Jail at Petersburg, Virginia.

WILL RETURN TO CHARLOTTE.

Says That His Sensational Killing of Mr. Tom Wilson in Mecklenburg Was Justifiable—Story of His Escape and Arrest at Home.

A special to the Charlotte *Observer* from Petersburg, Va., gives the following account of the surrender of Arthur L. Bishop, the young travelling man, whose crime in Charlotte created so much interest here, where he was widely known:

PETERSBURG, VA., Dec. 14.—Arthur L. Bishop, who shot and killed Thomas Wilson in Charlotte last Tuesday night, and for whose arrest Governor Aycock offered a reward of $400, is a prisoner in the jail of this city.

To-night Jackson Bishop, a letter-carrier of this city, and father of Arthur Bishop, went to Mayor Wm. M. Jones' residence and informed the official that his son, Arthur, was at home and wished to surrender himself. The mayor, at Mr. Bishop's request, accompanied him to young Bishop's home, and there the surrender was made. The mayor at once took Bishop to the city jail and turned him over to the officials there.

Bishop told the mayor that the shooting was entirely justifiable and that he fired the fatal shot in self-defence, as Wilson was striking him over the head with a stick and that he was dazed by the blows.

Bishop says that after the shooting he went to the hotel in Charlotte where he had been stopping and remained there until the next day, when he walked through the streets of Charlotte to the depot of the Seaboard Air Line, where he took the Seaboard train for Norfolk. He remained in Norfolk until last night, when he went to the police station there and inquired of the chief of police when the next train would leave for Roanoke.

Bishop says that he arrived here last night at 10:25 o'clock over the Norfolk and Western Railroad and that he got off at the stockyard on Bolling Brook street, which is a short distance east of the union depot here, and walked to his home, a distance of over one mile. He spent last night and to-day at home with his wife and child.

Bishop was visited at the jail by a large number of his friends, to each of whom he gave a hearty handshake and with whom he conversed most pleasantly. He was perfectly cool and in good humor. He wore a dark cloth cap and when one of his friends asked him where he got it, he replied that he paid 40 cents for it. In a jocular manner Bishop asked the deputy sheriff what he would have for breakfast in the morning. The deputy replied that he would see that he had a good one. Bishop has a large number of friends in Petersburg.

The first information received in Charlotte relative to the surrender of Bishop came in a telephone message that Chief of Police Irwin received from the chief of police of Petersburg.

The Petersburg officer stated that Bishop would return to Charlotte without requisition papers. Chief Irwin will leave this morning for Petersburg and will probably return here to-morrow accompanied by Bishop.

Bishop's statement that he went to the Buford after the shooting and spent the night there is rather sensational. Within ten minutes after they heard of the shooting policemen were at the Buford and were in that place constantly until 1 or 2 o'clock in the morning. A clerk at the hotel who was questioned about the matter first stated that Bishop certainly did not stay in his room that night, because the room was locked. Subsequently the clerk declared that he would make no statement for publication.

DEATH OF A GOOD WOMAN.

Mrs. L. J King Entered Into Rest Early Sunday Morning—Funeral.

Friends will regret exceedingly to learn of the death of Mrs. Fredericka King, wife of Mr. L. J. King, 510 Queen street, which occurred at 6:05 o'clock Sunday morning after a brief illness with pneumonia. Mrs. King was a daughter of the late John Barnes, of Wilmington, and was born in this city April 15th, 1859. She was a woman of beautiful Christian character and a member of Southside Baptist church, from whence the funeral was conducted at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon by her pastor, Rev. C. B. Paul, with interment in Bellvue cemetery. Besides her sorely bereaved husband, Mrs. King leaves to mourn their loss, three sons, Rev. A. T. King, a graduate of Richmond College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; J. Edgar King and Oscar W. King, of Wake Forest College. Also four brothers and three sisters, Mrs. A. B. Cook, of this city, John W. Barnes, of Houston, Texas; James W. Barnes, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Daniel F. Barnes, also of this city; Mrs. Martha A. Howard and Mrs. Emma P. Wycoff, of this city, and Mrs. Mary Foster, of Portsmouth, Va.

The pall-bearers at the funeral yesterday afternoon were Messrs. J. S. Canaday, J. F. Littleton, E. Z. Milton, J. C. Stevenson, W. B. Alderman and Dr. A. M. Baldwin.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Concord Chapter No. 1 Last Night Elected Officers for the Ensuing Year.

Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., last night elected officers for the ensuing term as follows:

High Priest—W. H. Chadbourn.
King—R. W. Price.
Scribe—C. C. Brown.
Captain of Host—U. M. Robinson.
Treasurer—J. C. Munds.
Secretary—W. A. Martin.

These, with the appointive officers, will be installed to enter upon their duties at the beginning of the new year.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

— Mrs. C. A. Hall, of Asheville, is visiting the family of Mr. B. G. Worth.

— Mr. R. J. Rivenbark, agent of the A. C. L. at Darlington, S. C., spent Sunday in the city.

— Miss Bessie Williams returned to Mt. Olive yesterday after a pleasant visit to friends in the city.

— Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Brunson, Jr., have returned from their extensive wedding tour in Florida.

— Miss Daisy Jones, of Kenansville, who has been the guest of friends in the city, returned home yesterday.

— Mr. L. L. Brinson, of Newbern, the popular American Tobacco Company's traveller, is in the city for a short business trip.

— Mrs. E. A. Silva, who has been visiting her son at Camden Crossing, S. C., and friends in Florence, S. C., returned home yesterday.

— Mr. P. H. Sears, formerly of Wilmington, now superintendent of the Whiteville Lumber Co., spent Sunday in the city with friends.

— Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Rankin, Jr., returned Sunday morning from their extensive bridal tour north and will be at home Thursdays at No. 314 Chesnut street.

— Miss Rosa Short, of Washington, N. C., who has been the charming guest of her sister, Mrs. Samuel Jennings Springer, returned home yesterday. Mrs. Springer accompanied her.

— Gen. S. H. Manning, one of the few surviving members of the original panel of Republican leaders, and for several terms sheriff of this county, is here on a visit and will probably remain several weeks.

— Mr. William M. Atkinson, of the U. S. Geodetic Survey, is in the city on a leave of absence which he is spending with his father, Col. Jno. W. Atkinson. He is being cordially greeted by numerous friends in Wilmington, where he is deservedly popular.

— Mr. Jno. VanB. Metts returned home Sunday from the James Walker Memorial Hospital and his numerous friends will be glad to know that he is convalescing rapidly. He speaks in highest terms of the treatment accorded him at the hospital and says he was almost tempted to stay longer.

THE TOBACCO WAREHOUSE CO.

Directors Call for Part of Capital Stock. A Manager Employed.

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wilmington Tobacco Warehouse Company was held yesterday morning in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. W. E. Worth, the president, was in the chair and other members present were Messrs. Geo. C. Gaylord, R. R. Stone, S. P. McNair, W. B. Cooper, M. W. Jacobi and James Kyle, secretary and treasurer.

It was reported that the maximum capital stock of $15,000 had been subscribed and the secretary was instructed to issue a call for 25 per cent. of the amount upon which to begin business, by authority of a resolution at the organization meeting of the stockholders.

Mr. J. N. Gibbons, formerly manager of the tobacco warehouse companies at Fair Bluff, Clarkton and Wilson, was elected manager for the Wilmington Company. Mr. Gibbons is a tobacco expert of much experience and has been actively engaged in this section since 1891. He is a brother-in-law of Mr. J. S. Westbrook, of Wallace, and comes highly recommended. Mr. James Dodd will be retained as assistant manager.

The matter of the purchase of a site for the plant has not yet been definitely decided upon.

Aged Light Tender Dead.

Mr. John McKinney, a citizen of Federal Point township, who lives on the east bank of the Cape Fear, just below the dram tree, died Sunday night of a congestive chill. For a long number of years he tended the beacon lights for the government down the river and was faithful to his duties until compelled by advanced age to abandon his perilous occupation. His death was rather sudden and occurred while his son had gone out to summons neighbors to assist him in administering to his father's suffering. The funeral took place yesterday from the quiet home on the banks of the Cape Fear, where he had lived for many years.

Truckers Award Contracts.

Meetings of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association were held here yesterday, the first named at 10 A. M., and that of the Directors at noon. The only business of public importance was the renewal of the Association's contract with the Armour Company for refrigerator car service. At practically the same rates, the company guarantees a much better service in the future.

Prominent Robesonian Dead.

In response to a telegram, Rev. J. A. Smith will leave to-day to conduct the funeral services over the remains of Mr. A. C. Oliver, a prominent citizen of Affinity, Robeson county, who died Sunday. No particulars of the death were received in Wilmington yesterday. Mr. Oliver was one of the leading men of his section and, if no error is made, he had once or twice represented his county in the Legislature.

HAT SALE!

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

WILL BE THE BIG HAT SALE.

I bought out the entire stock of a manufacturer of ready-to-wear Hats. Can sell them for less than half price.

A $1 Hat for 48c and $2.50 to 3.00 Hat for 98c. I have now over 900.

They Will Be Sold Tuesday and Wednesday.

Have also received a big lot of fine Skirts, Monte Carlo Coats, Automobile and Ragland Coats

Ladies' Black Peau-de-Soie Silk Waists.
Ladies' and Gent's Silk Handkerchiefs.
All at half price.

The Paris Millinery Emporium,

129 Market Street, Next Door to Bonitz House, Wilmington, N. C.

nov 25 tf

The New Year.

A new interest quarter will begin with us on January 1st. Deposits made with us now will draw 4 per cent. from January 2nd, and will receive credit for a full quarter's interest on April 1st.

The People's Savings Bank,

Opposite the Postoffice.

H. C. McQUEEN, President. JNO. S. ARMSTRONG, Vice President.
dec 16 tf F. W. DICK, Cashier.

FELL THROUGH ELEVATOR SHAFT.

Head Waiter at The Orton Injured Last Night—Sent to His Home.

Arthur Williams, colored, head waiter at The Orton, fell through the freight elevator shaft in the rear of the building last night about 8 o'clock, and suffered a painful fracture of the leg and other bruises. He fell a distance of only about eight or ten feet or the result might have been more serious.

The injured man was taken in an ambulance to his home on MacRae street where Dr. D. W. Bulluck attended him.

— Friends of Mr. J. D. Edwards will regret to know that he is confined to his home by slight illness. Mr. Claude Murray is at the ticket window at the A. C. L. passenger station during Mr. Edwards' absence.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Call and Examine Our

FINE LOT OF

Christmas Goods.

Royal Cluster Raisins.
Finest Seeded Raisins and Currants.
Freshest Nuts of all kinds, shelled and in the shell.
Roquefort, Edam and Pineapple Cheese, and almost every other article in our line for the Holidays.

WILMINGTON GROCERY CO.,
JNO. L. BOATWRIGHT, Manager.
Both 'Phones No. 14. dec 15 tf

BIDS WANTED!

Bids will be received up to 12 o'clock on MONDAY, DECEMBER 22ND, for leasing the City Docks at the foot of Chesnut and Dock streets.

Specifications and further information furnished on application to

E. F. JOHNSON,
Chairman Streets and Wharfs Com.
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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, November 25, 1902.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$1,182,406 63
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		940 32
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		95,100 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		173,800 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		18,099 63
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		91,051 63
Due from State Banks and Bankers		115,906 29
Due from approved reserve agents		106,304 86
Notes of other National Banks	$10,000 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,854 16	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$34 545 00	
Legal tender notes	101,200 00	147,599 16
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas't (5 per cent. of circulation)		4,700 00
Total		$1,945,078 82

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	35,757 68	160,757 68
National Bank notes outstanding		95,100 00
Due to other National Banks	271,853 69	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	267,541 20	
Dividends unpaid	292 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	801,050 90	
Certified checks	4,696 30	
Cashier's checks outstanding	44,587 86	
United States deposits	175,800 00	1,564,221 44
Total		$1,945,078 82

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of November, 1902.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

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We wish to inform our regular customers as well as the public at large that we have just received a consignment of Foreign Wines, which we offer to everybody at the following low price for a short time only:

Rhine Wine, Vintage	1898,	per gal.,	$1.00
Port " "	1900,	" "	1.00
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This is to inform my friends and the public generally that I have opened at No. 15 North Second street a first class Family Grocery, where I am prepared to furnish the trade everything new and fresh in Fancy Groceries, Country Produce, Cigars, Tobacco, etc.

C. O. ALEXANDER.
Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 1st, 1902. dec 3 tf

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING. DECEMBE 16.

HAD THEIR EYE ON REED.

In speaking of the late Thos. B. Reed, just after his death, we remarked that had he lived and consented to run he might have been the opponent of Theodore Roosevelt for the Republican nomination in 1904. Whether he would have consented or not is a matter that was known only to himself and to those who were in his confidence, but there are not wanting indications that he had not entirely discarded his political ambitions, while the fascinations of the Presidency are such that there are few men who would not yield to them if there were any prospect of reaching that position.

It is said that Mr. Reed was sorely disappointed in his failure to secure the nomination in 1896, for which he felt he had a better claim than Wm. McKinley, whom he had defeated for the speakership six years before, and it is not altogether improbable that this may have had much to do with his lack of accord with the McKinley administration in the Spanish war and in its Philippine policy, to which he was strongly opposed and made a topic of both caustic criticism and sneering ridicule.

This, of course, put him out of harmony with the leaders of the party, and led to his withdrawal from active politics and going to New York to take up the profession of law, from which his active life in politics had drawn him. This was practically beginning life anew, at an age which few men would have ventured it. But he had confidence in himself, and that is an important factor in the life of any man who reaches high or expects to accomplish much. His confidence was justified by the results, for from the first he took rank among the foremost at the bar and soon found a clientage which paid him well, so well that it is said his income from his practice was $50,000 a year—ten times the salary of a Congressman—so that from a business point of view he didn't make any mistake when he gave up politics for the law, and changed his field of action from Portland to New York, which seems to be the center of attraction for the statesmen who retire from politics and turn to law.

In addition to that he is said to have been fortunate in his speculative ventures by which he made $200,000 in the past two years. With this and his professional earnings he was in such a position as to be financially independent, no longer compelled to depend upon his clients and fees to listen to the buzzing of the Presidential bee, and reach out for the prize that he was so eager for six years ago and missed.

In New York professionally and socially he was brought into close contact with the select few, and had little to do with the mass of the people. From temperament and habit thought he was more in accord with the few, whom he considered qualified to rule, than with the many whom he did not consider qualified to rule. It is known that these few were not in accord with President Roosevelt in some of his views, which they regarded as antagonistic to their interests, and while they did not deem it judicious to publicly voice their opposition there was ground for the belief that they would like to see him defeated for the nomination in 1904 and some other man more in harmony with the great business and industrial leaders nominated. There were two such men, both prominent in the public eye and both more or less famous, each having elements of strength to make him available as a candidate. One was Thos. B. Reed; the other Marcus A. Hanna.

It was noted as a coincidence that Mr. Reed's article on trust legislation and tariff revision, in which he took uncompromising position against both, was given to the public at the same time that the President's message was, and might in substance be regarded as an argument against the President's position on the trust question and as an argument against tariff revision in any shape, thus bringing himself conspicuously before the public as the defender of the trusts and the protective policy as embodied in the Dingley tariff, the most outspoken utterance on these lines yet delivered by any man in public life.

On the assembling of Congress and just after his magazine article had been given wide publicity by the press and editorial comments, he went to Washington, where he died within a few days.

It has been said that part of his business there was to watch in the interests of the leaders of combines the movements of Congress, and to check as far as possible any measures aimed at the combines. It is also said that these combines will have quarters in Washington where organization will be effected and systematic opposition made to any such measures, in which event the services of so well-equipped a man as Mr. Reed, one with his legislative experience and knowledge of methods of procedure, would have been invaluable.

Be this as it may, there is no doubt that he was one of the few men who measured up to their ideas of the kind of a man they wanted for President and since his death some of them have not hesitated to admit the fact that while in his death they have lost a man for whom they had a high regard, they also lost one on whom they counted much in the future and for whom there were high honors in store if they could be instrumental in conferring them. Some of them now make no secret of the fact that they had him in their eye to contest the nomination with Theodore Roosevelt in 1904.

Fate was against them. But there is still Marcus A. Hanna, if they can persuade him to accept "the job."

WHO PUT UP THE JOB?

The institution of the suit by the State of South Dakota against the State of North Carolina for the payment of $10,000 in bonds of the Western North Carolina railroad, was thought by many to be a put up job in which the State of South Dakota was used as a cat's paw to make a test case for the benefit of others who held larger amounts of these bonds, which they probably bought at a nominal price. Some light is thrown upon the question how South Dakota got into it, and how she got the bonds, by the following which we clip from the Washington correspondence of the Raleigh *Post*, published in Sunday's edition:

The very interesting information developed to-day during the taking of testimony in the South Dakota bond suit that ex-Senator Marion Butler of North Carolina and ex-Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota jointly originated the idea for bringing this suit against the State of North Carolina. The hearing was held to-day in the Senate annex before Special Commissioner A. D. Watts. Ex-Governor Russell appeared for South Dakota and ex Chief Justice James E. Shepherd and George Rountree represented North Carolina. Only two witnesses were examined, ex-Senator Marion Butler and Congressman Chas. H. Burke of South Dakota.

This ends the taking of testimony. During the day, ex-Governor Russell, representing the plaintiffs, gave notice to counsel for the State that on Monday he would make a motion in the United States supreme court to have all the depositions opened and the case set for argument.

Ex Senator Butler testified that he represented Schaffer & Brother, of New York, the owners of a majority of the bonds in question, and when an effort was made to show why the ten bonds were transferred to South Dakota, the ex-senator declined to answer and threw himself on professional privilege, a right that he had. The State's contention is that they were given to South Dakota in order to bring suit and obtain standing in court. It was shown that Senator Butler visited South Dakota and while inspecting State institutions there Pettigrew told him that the State university was in need of donations. The ex-senator's response was that some persons he knew might be willing to make donations.

Congressman Burke's testimony was that he received the bonds from Colonel Stewart. Stewart got them from Schaffer & Brother. Burke knew Pettigrew in the transaction.

If this be true it seems to have been a put up job by Senator Pettigrew (Populist), and Senator (for he was then Senator) Butler (Populist), who threw himself on his professional privilege in declining to answer questions. If his action had been straight and there was nothing improper in it he need not have pleaded his privilege as counsel from answering questions when called as a witness. Enough has been elicited, however, to show that bringing the State of South Dakota into the case as the mover in the suit was a put up job, in which it appears that the fine Italian hand of the then Senator Butler pulled the wires and set the thing in motion.

GRAFTING PECANS ON HICKORY

Pecan culture is making considerable progress in South Carolina, and in addition to that some of the growers are making some interesting experiments, one of which is grafting pecans on hickory. As the hickory tree, of several varieties, abounds in this State, we clip from the Charleston *News and Courier* the following, which may interest farmers who have hickory trees on their land:

Our Chester correspondent reports that Mr. H. T. Boyd, of Cornwell, Chester county, is taking much interest in pecans, and adds: "He is making the experiment of grafting pecans on hickory sprouts. His success this year is encouraging. Some of his grafts have made a growth of five feet, while seedlings have done little more than get above ground."

Mr. Boyd's success should make many imitators for his plan. Hickory trees and sprouts abound in the State. It ought to be good business for any land-owner to graft many such trees from the more valuable variety. Mr. Lege, of Green Pond, reported recently that he is selling pecans from his fine trees at a dollar a pound.

A farmer in Virginia writes to the Southern Planter that he has two old trees, which he values at $1,000 a piece, as the annual revenue derived from them is a fair rate of interest on that sum.

Few hickory trees, or their fruit, are worth as much, to begin with, and it is something besides to have pecan trees grow at the rate of five feet a year instead of a few inches. The grafts, we believe, should bear in three or four years, while seedling pecans do not. Moreover, as Mr. Lege has stated, pecan stock is subject to the destructive attacks of "borers." Hickory stock, with pecan grafts, should be proof to such attacks. Mr. Boyd's success with his experimental venture is instructive, as well "encouraging," and may profit many farmers, who can take a hint quickly.

This is an experiment that may be easily tried and tested by any farmer having hickory trees on his land, for it can be done with little labor and little expense.

While speaking of hickory trees there is a hickory which grows in the central part of this State, and perhaps all over it, which bears a thin shell nut which in flavor equals the best pecan. They grow abundantly in some counties, and find ready sale where their good qualities are known. Whether they could be improved by culture we do not know, but possibly they might, but whether or not, if planted in groves and cared for they would be valuable for both nut and timber.

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Vinol is a preparation that is delicious to take.

It consists of a delicate table wine in which has been dissolved the active curative principles that are found in the liver of the live cod, and to which cod-liver oil owes its reputation as a remedy for coughs, colds and all wasting diseases.

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Vinol acts beneficially upon the digestive organs, enabling them to obtain for themselves the elements from which are made firm healthy flesh tissue, sound muscle, strong bone structure and pure blood.

We recommend Vinol unreservedly.

If you will call on us at our store, we will tell you why we have such faith in this new wine of cod-liver oil.

We guarantee that if you suffer from any symptoms that indicate troubles for which we know Vinol is intended, we will refund to you your money if you don't find Vinol helps you.

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CURRENT COMMENT

— President Theodore Roosevelt has made a serious blunder in this Venezuelan matter, and one that may cost him the presidency. The American people do not endorse, and will not endorse, what is now going on and adjacent to American soil.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

— Did the anthracite operators get a hint of what was coming just before they tried to shut off the proceedings before the arbitrators and secure a settlement with the men? The style of proof being adduced by the managers of the miners' case, gives color to such an assumption.—*Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

— Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina says that the Republican party in the South is becoming a white man's party and the Democratic party a negro party. Whenever Senator Pritchard is prepared to prove that statement he may safely count on numbering in the ranks of the Republican party all the respectable white men of the South.—*Richmond Times, Dem.*

— Our Government will be fortunate if it does not become involved in the imbroglio. There has been a feeling of apprehension in Washington, ever since the German and British squadrons appeared on the coast of Venezuela, that unless the greatest care were exercised our country would be drawn into the affair. It would not be surprising if the useless destruction of the Venezuelan navy should excite the sympathies of the American people for the Venezuelans, though, as a matter of fact, they are entitled to little, if any, sympathy.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the Kidneys and Bowels, stimulate the Liver and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly, and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50 cents, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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Of any form of Fever who uses Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic even halfway right. It is 100 times better than quinine, and does in a day what slow quinine cannot do in ten days. Johnson's Tonic will drive out every trace and taint of Grip Poison from the blood. Write for Agency to A. B. Girardeau, Savannah, Ga. †

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—Aberdeen *Telegram*: The trial of the negro Barrett for murder at Carthage was concluded last Tuesday and he was convicted and sentenced to be hung on January 5th. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court.

—Henderson *Gold Leaf*: Mr. A. H. Ball reports a beet 9 pounds in weight, 19 inches long and 17 inches in circumference. —— Mr. Geo. E. Wortham brought us a turnip Saturday that weighed 11½ pounds with the top cut off and measured 32 inches around.

—Fayetteville *Observer*: Grant Graham, a negro, was placed in jail Saturday morning on a commitment by D. B. Gillis, J P., of 71st township, for failure to pay a fine of $30 and costs which the magistre imposed on him. Graham was found guilty of cursing and boisterous conduct at a camp-meeting, which he finally broke up by shooting the preacher, the bullet entering the leg, fortunately for the preacher.

— Kinston *Free Press*: A wagon filled with collards, the ash barrel, several broomstraw brooms and five or six little round black curly heads on top of the load is a surer sign of the season of the year than emigrating birds. Such can be seen passing through Kinston almost daily, moving from one home to another and no scientist has ever tried to explain why.

— Fremont *Visitor*: Sandy Johnson, in Grantham's township is a quite remarkable old gentleman. He lacks a few days of being eighty-seven years old and followed his plow regularly this Summer and made a very fine crop with no help except the assistance of his wife who is about seventy-five years old. He gets about as spry as a man of twenty-five or thirty. He uses tobacco regularly but doesn't drink any whiskey. He also has a brother who is eighty years old. This old couple live all alone on rented land. All of their children are grown and married and have moved off to themselves.

— Raleigh *Post*: Wirtz, the nineteen-year old son of Mr. A. D. K. Wallace, formerly chief clerk in the Secretary of State's office at Raleigh, was shot in the right breast and instantly killed by his fourteen-year old brother Alfred, in a room at their home three miles from Rutherfordton, Saturday morning. Their older brother had just stepped out of the room when the shot was fired. Young Wallace came running out of the room screaming, saying he had killed his brother and that he did not know the gun was loaded. He is crazed with grief over the sad affair. —— Andrew M. Bruce, a young business man, committed suicide Friday night at Asheville. Bruce took carbolic acid and shot himself through the heart. His motive was attributed to financial depression.

TWINKLINGS.

— Tourist—When does the next train start for Cork, porter? Irish Porter—She's just gone, Sor?—*Punch.*

— He (very stout)—I, I cannot express myself. She (looking at the clock)—Oh! hum!—well, go by freight, then.—*Phil. Bulletin.*

— Customer—What do you charge for 10 cents' worth of camphor? The druggist (absently) — Twenty-five cents.—*Chicago Daily News.*

— "But, you see, I only want the teapot and the sugar-basin. Don't you break sets?" "No madam. We generally leave that to the servants of customers."—*Punch.*

— "What were you about to remark?" she asked. "Oh, it's of no consequence," he returned. "I know that," she retorted, "but what was it?"—*Chicago Evening Post.*

— General—I see here's an article on "Revolution in the Mince Pie." Colonel—That's the kind of Revolution you like to put down, I suppose General?—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— "How did you like the sermon this morning?" "Oh, it was a beautiful discourse! I don't believe Satan himself could have taken offence at anything in it."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "You can't get blood out of a turnip," said Slopay to the persistent collector. "Perhaps not," replied the collector, "but I have frequently extracted gore from a beat."—*Chicago News.*

— Mrs. Jones—Oh, that brave, gallant young Lieutenant van Buster! Just killed in the Philippines, and was to have been married next month. Mr. Jones—Gad! Fortune favors the brave.—*Judge.*

— The Father—My daughter, sir, must have the same amount of money after she is married that she had before. The Suitor—I wouldn't deprive her of it for anything.—*Brooklyn Life.*

No Hope For Him.

Fair Visitor—What is this poor man in prison for?

Jailer—For the murder of his wife, ma'am.

Fair Visitor—Oh, what a pity! But isn't he sweet, though?

Jailer—Yes, ma'am. He's too sweet to live.—Chicago News.

Suited the Action to the Word.

"I was to come on the stage stealthily and say 'Hist!'" explained the fledgeling actor.

"And"—

"And I said it, and I was," he mournfully concluded.—Baltimore American.

His Wheel Won't Rust.

Hewitt—I got my wheel wet yesterday.

Jewett—Been soaking your head, have you?—New York Herald.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally like itself is the price of a mistake, but you will never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle, yet thorough. 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, soften the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

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READ THIS LETTER:

ALMOST A MIRACLE.

DILLON, S. C., Aug. 18th, 1902.

Gentlemen:—In September, 1899, I took rheumatism in a very bad form. In a month after the disease started I had to give up my work and go to bed. It continued to grow worse until my arms and hands were badly drawn, so much so that I could not use them. My legs were drawn back until my feet touched my hips. I was as helpless as a baby for nearly twelve months. The muscles of my arms and legs were hard and shriveled up. I suffered death many times over. Was treated by six different physicians in McColl, Dillon and Marion, but none of them could do me any good, until Dr. J. F. Ewing, of Dillon, came to see me. He told me to try your "RHEUMACIDE." He got me one bottle of the medicine and I began to take it and before the first bottle was used up I began to get better. I used five and a half bottles and was completely cured. That was two years ago, and my health has been excellent ever since. Have had no symptoms of rheumatism. I regard "RHEUMACIDE" as by far the best remedy for rheumatism on the market. I cannot say too much for it. I have recommended it to others since and it has cured them.

Will say further, that I began to walk in about six days after I began to take "RHEUMACIDE," with the aid of crutches; in about three months after I began to take it, I could walk as good as anybody, and went back to work again.

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RISKS FIREMEN TAKE.

The Reason Engineer Brown Stuck to His Dangerous Post.

The risks that firemen in big cities take are an everlasting wonder, and the story of Bill Brown, as told by Cleveland Moffett in "Careers of Daring and Danger," shows that the engineer's bravery is sometimes put to tests as severe as those which the hose man or the ladder man even has to endure.

What happened was this: Engine 29, pumping her prettiest, stood at the corner so near the drughouse that the driver thought it wasn't safe for the horses and led them away. That left Brown alone, against the cheek of the fire, watching his boiler and keeping his steam gauge at seventy-five.

As the fire gained chunks of redhot sandstone began to smash down on the engine. Brown ran his pressure up to eighty and watched the door anxiously where the four firemen from his squad had gone into the furnace.

Then an explosion of chemicals in the building sent a flame wide as a house curling across the street, enwrapping engine and man and setting fire to the elevated railway station overhead. Bill Brown stood by his engine with a sheet of fire above him. He heard footsteps on the pavement and voices that grew fainter crying, "Run for your lives!" He was alone, and the skin on his hands, face and neck was blistered.

Brown knew why every one was running. There would be another explosion. It was tolerably certain that he must die if he stayed. But his four chums were in the fire and needed the water. If he quit his engine, the water would fail.

He stoked in coal and ran the gauge up another notch, easing the running parts with the oiler. He was offering his life for his friends.

In a few minutes the four firemen came out of the building. Then Bill Brown ran for his life with his comrades. A second or two later engine 29 was crushed by the falling walls.

Her Opportunity.

"Mrs. Weeds," said Mr. Binks, "I asked your daughter to marry me, and she referred me to you."

"I'm sure that's very kind of Susie; but, then, she always was a dutiful girl. Really, Mr. Binks, I hadn't thought of marrying again at my time of life, but since you insist suppose we make the wedding day the 20th of this month."—New York Press.

A Temperance Story.

"You seem rather hilarious today," the lathe remarked to the buzzsaw.

"Yes," replied the buzzsaw; "the man who runs me brought some whisky into the shop with him a little while ago."

"Well?"

"Well, I took two or three fingers at his expense."—Philadelphia Press.

Attentive to the Duties.

"Yes, I'm one of the trustees of the proposed gallery of art."

"What have you done so far?"

"So far? Why, we've eaten three annual dinners and are preparing for a fourth."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Not Good Enough.

Mr. Nucomer—I found a china collar button in the hash this morning, and—

Landlady—Nora, bring a gold plated button for Mr. Nucomer. Remember he is on the second floor.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Comforting.

Patient—Doctor, what is the effect of that medicine you just gave me?

Physician—I don't know, but in the interests of science I feel it my duty to stay and find out.—Ohio State Journal.

MARINE DIRECTORY

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., December 16.

STEAMSHIPS.

Europa, (Nor) 652 tons, Olsen, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Riverton, (Br) 2,336 tons, Williams, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Harbart, (Br) 2,149 tons, Bowling, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Havelock, (Br) 212 tons, Beery, J T Riley & Co.

Mabel Darling, (Br) 111 tons, Sweeting, J A Springer & Co.

Lillie, (Br) 311 tons, Davis, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Lottie R Russell, 363 tons, Sharp, J T Riley & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—260 bales cotton, 15 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—618 bales cotton, 2 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—401 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 8 barrels rosin, 91 barrels tar, 113 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—517 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 85 barrels rosin, 9 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—41 bales cotton, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Highlander—63 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 126 barrels rosin, 265 barrels tar, 6 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—182 barrels rosin, 14 barrels tar.

Schooner Bertha—30 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—1,900 bales cotton, 13 casks spirits turpentine, 401 barrels rosin, 396 barrels tar, 155 barrels crude turpentine.

DR. PIERCE'S GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY FOR THE BLOOD, LIVER, LUNGS.

COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing of the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, December 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 51½c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.35 per barrel for strained and $1.40 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $1.75 per barrel for hard, $3.00 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar steady at $1 20; crude turpentine quiet at $1.10 @2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	13
Rosin	401
Tar	396
Crude turpentine	155

Receipts same day last year—34 casks spirits turpentine, 259 barrels rosin, 645 barrels tar, 120 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7⅛c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5¼	cts. ₩ lb
Good ordinary	6⅜	" "
Low middling	7¼	" "
Middling	7⅜	" "
Good middling	8 11-16	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 7⅜c for middling.

Receipts—1,900 bales; same day last year, 2,311.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm, Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 10@11c.

EGGS—Firm at 21@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 30@35c; springs, 12½@25c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 10@11c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 60c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Money on call—Market was firm at 4@10 per cent., closing offered at 4 per cent; time money nominally 6 per cent., with commission for 60 days, 90 days and six months. Prime mercantile paper 6 per cent. Sterling exchange heavy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486.75 for demand and 488.25 for sixty days. The posted rates were 484½ and 488. Commercial bills 482¾@483¾. Bar silver 48. Mexican dollars 37¾. Government bonds steady. State bonds—no report. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 3's, registered, 107¾; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 108¼; U. S 3's, registered, 107½; do. coupon, 107½; U. S. 4's, new registered, 135½; do. coupon, 135½; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 108½; do. coupon, 109½; U. S. 5's, registered, 103¾; do. coupon, 103¾; Southern Railway, 5's, 116¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 94¾. Chesapeake & Ohio 44⅛; Manhattan L 144⅛; New York Central 150⅛; Reading 57⅝; do. 1st preferred 84¾; do. 2nd preferred 73¾; St. Paul 168⅝; do. pref'd, 189; Southern Railway 29⅞; do. pref'd 90; Amalgamated Copper ex dividend 55⅜; People's Gas 99¾; Sugar 119¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 53⅞; U. S. Leather 11¼; do. pref'd, 86¾; Western Union 87⅛; U. S. Steel 31½; do. pref'd 80¾; Virginia-Carolina Chemical 56; do. preferred, 120; Standard Oil, 660@665.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15 —Seaboard Air Line, common, 24 bid; do. preferred, 40⅞@41; bonds, fours, 83 asked.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 Rosin firm. Strained common to good $1 80@1 82½. Spirits turpentine quiet at 54½@55c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 15.—Spirits turpentine and rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 15.—Spirits turpentine quoted firm at 51½c; receipts 763 casks; sales 407 casks; exports 1,467 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 4,607 barrels; sales — barrels; exports 5,985 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, $1 40. E, $1 50; F, $1 55; G, $1 70; H, $1 95; I, $2 20; K $2 60; M, $3 05; N, $3 55; W G, $3 80; W W, $4 20

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The cotton futures market started firm and very active at an advance of seven to ten points. The initial rise was due to strong cables from Liverpool, where the market closed at a net rise of four and one-half points instead of showing a decline of one and one-half points due to match the closing of the New York market Saturday. The English rise was attributed by private cables to the appearance of Egyptian speculators, who were reported to have bought enormously following an advance in two days of ½ at Alexandria. Speculation in the local market broadened to the largest volume of business since bureau day with all classes of buyers contending for supplies. The demand was accelerated if not originated by the continued failure of receipts to expand as predicted, while the general run of statistics show a continued subsidence in the visible supply of American cotton, now about 356,000 bales under last year's notwithstanding the general movement for the season has been greater than last year's. The average of Wall street news regarding the stock market was better and Wall street parties were something of a factor in the rise in the price of cotton. Fall River parties reported unlimited demand for print cloths up to and including February, on the basis of three cents, and the further rise in the price of raw material was reflected in firmer views on the part of holders of cotton goods, without, however, materially stimulating the demand for goods. The weather news was very bad and to this phase of the situation many continue to attribute the small movement. From the low prices of Saturday the extreme advance in cotton in this market to-day was twenty to twenty-four points with the market finally firm at a net rise of eleven to eighteen points. Total sales of futures estimated at 525,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Cotton quiet at 8.65c; net receipts 260 bales; gross receipts 7,996 bales; stock 135,398 bales.

Spot closed quiet, 10 points higher; middling uplands 8.65; middling gulf 8 90c; sales 5,700 bales.

Cotton futures market closed firm; December 8.44, January 8.46, February 8.31, March 8.35, April 8.36, May 8.39, June 8.39, July 8.41, August 8.25, September 8.01

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 43,504 bales; exports to Great Britain 14,610 bales; exports to France 28,827 bales; exports to the Continent 21,846 bales; stock 1,002,449 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 89,195 bales; exports to Great Britain 37,070 bales; exports to France 28,827 bales; exports to the Continent 29,746 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 4,248,803 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,809,339 bales; exports to France 837,639 bales; exports to the Continent 1,276,476 bales

Dec. 14.—Galveston, firm at 8 5-16c, net receipts 9,448 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 3,144 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼c, net receipts 595 bales; Boston, quiet at 8.55, net receipts — bales; Wilmington, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 1,900 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 8.90c, net receipts — bales; Savannah, steady at 8 1-16c, net receipts 6,623 bales; New Orleans, firm at 8 3-16c, net receipts 1,628 bales; Mobile, firm at 8c, net receipts 2,557 bales; Memphis, quiet at 8¼c, net receipts 5,684 bales; Augusta, firm at 8 5 16c, net receipts 1,633 bales; Charleston, firm at 8c, net receipts 2,667 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Flour was quiet but steady; Winter patents $3 60 @3 90; Minnesota patents $4 00@4 20 Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 83¼c. Options closed unsettled at ⅛@¼c advance: May closed 81⅛c; July closed 78¾c; December closed 83¼c Corn—Spot dull; No. 2 64c. Options closed ⅜@½c net lower: January closed 56c; May closed 48⅜c; December closed 61¼c. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2, 37½c. Options were quiet all day and about steady; December closed 38@38¼c. Lard easy; Western steam $10 90; refined easy; continent $11 15; South American $11 50; compound 7¼@7⅜c. Pork steady; family $18 00; short clear $21 00@23 00; mess $18 00@18 50. Butter steady; extra creamery 30c; State dairy 20@28c. Cheese steady; new State full cream, small colored fancy, September 13¼@13¾c; small white September 13¼@13¾c. Peanuts quiet; fancy hand picked 4¼@4¾c; other domestic 3¼@4¼c Cabbages steady; domestic, per 100, white $1 50@3 00; red $1 50@3 50. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet. No 7 invoice 5¾c; mild quiet; Cordova 7½@12. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3 7-16c; centrifugal, 96 test 3 15-16c; confectioner's $4 70; mould A $5 10; cut loaf $5 45; crushed $5 45; powdered $4 95; granulated $4 85; cubes $5 10; refined steady. Freights to Liverpool—cotton by steam 12. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania average best 29c Tallow dull; city ($2 per package) 2⅝c; country (packages free) 6@6¼c. Rice quiet; domestic, fair to extra 4¼@5⅜c; Japan 4¼@5¼c. Potatoes steady; Long Island $2 00@2 30; South Jersey sweets $2 50@4 00; Jerseys $1 75@2 05; New York and Western per 180 lbs, $1 50 @2 00. Molasses firm; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 30@40c. Cotton seed oil was fairly active, firm: Prime crude here nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 29@30c; prime summer yellow 37@38; off summer yellow 36@37c; prime white 40@41c; prime winter yellow 41@42c; prime meal $27 00@27 50, nominal.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Wheat was rather quiet to day, but the market was firm on generally bullish statistics and May closed ½@⅝c higher. May corn closed ½@⅝c lower and oats a shade lower. Provisions were from 2½ to 12½c higher.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Cash prices: Flour quiet but steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 75¼@76½c; No. 3 spring 71@72½c; No. 2 red 75¾@76c. Corn—No. 2 54¾c; No. 2 yellow 54¼c. Oats—No. 2 31⅜c; No. 2 white 33c; No. 3 white 31¾@34½c. Mess pork, per barrel, at $17 00. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10 30@10 35. Short rib sides, loose, closed $8 50 @8 75. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 25@8 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $8 75@9 00. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 32.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 76, 76, 75¾, 75⅝c; May 77¾@78, 78¼, 77⅞, 77¾c; July 74¼@74⅝, 74¾, 74¼, 74¼@74⅜c. Corn—No. 2 December 56¼, 57, 54½, 55c; January 48¼@48¼, 48¼, 47¾, 47⅜c; May 43⅝@44, 44, 43⅝, 43⅝c. Oats—No. 2 December, new, 31¼, 32, 31¼, 31¼c; May 33¾, 33¾, 33, 33½@33¾c. Mess pork, per bbl—December $16 73½, 16 77½, 16 62½, 16 73½; May $15 75, 15 75, 15 67½, 15 67½. Lard, per 100 lbs—December $10 32½, 10 37½, 10 22½, 10 27½; January $9 80, 9 80, 9 70, 9 73½; May $9 17½, 9 25, 9 17½, 9 20. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $8 42½, 8 45, 8 40, 8 45; May $8 35, 8 40, 8 32½, 8 35.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand, prices 2 points higher; American middling fair 5.16d; good middling 4.68d; middling 4.54d; low middling 4.42d; good ordinary 4.3.)d; ordinary 4.18d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 9,100 bales American. Receipts 15,000 bales, including 9,300 bales American.

Futures opened steady and closed very steady; American middling (g o c) December 4.52d; December and January 4.50@4.51d; January and February 4.50d; February and March 4.50d; March and April 4.50d; April and May 4.50d; May and June 4.50@4.51d; June and July 4.50@4.51d; July and August 4.50@4.51d.

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Steamer Highlander, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

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British steamship Hermiston, Bain, Liverpool, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

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EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

LIVERPOOL—British steamship Hermiston, 16,165 bales cotton, 7,917,575 pounds, valued at $678,000; cargo and vessel by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

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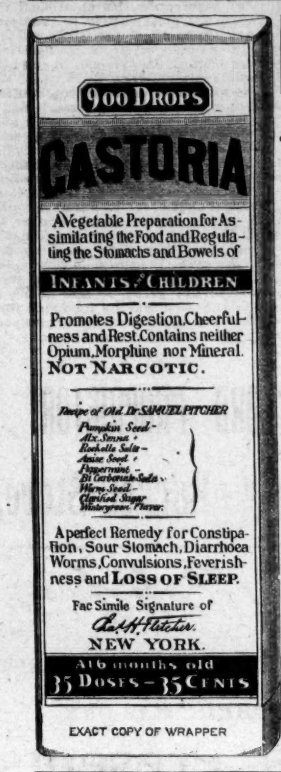
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RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$196,721 67	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	450 00	Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4,087 54
Cash on hand, Due from Banks	3,019 68	Accrued Interest due depositors	475 00
		Deposits	145 000 51
	$200,143 35		$200,143 35

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HEAT AND DISEASE.

THE SUN'S RAYS ARE FATAL TO MANY SPECIES OF GERMS.

As a Disinfectant Sunlight Is the Greatest Agent in Nature—Temperatures at Which Disease Germs Are Destroyed.

Sunlight is fatal to some of the lower forms of living things, including certain disease germs which are the cause of some of the most fatal infectious diseases that afflict the human race. In fact, the greatest disinfectant in nature is light, or, to be more exact, the radiations of the sun, including heat rays, light rays and the invisible rays at the violet end of the solar spectrum.

An infectious disease is one which may be contracted by the introduction into the living body of living disease germs, which may be contained in different kinds of infectious material. Thus the disease germ (bacillus) which produces diphtheria is contained in the "exudate" or "false membrane" deposited in the throat or nasal passages of those suffering from this disease, and the material coughed up by a patient with diphtheria is infectious material. In cholera and in typhoid fever the discharges from the bowels contain the germ and are consequently infectious material.

Now, the object of disinfection is to prevent the extension of infectious diseases by destroying the specific infectious agents—germs—which give rise to them; and this is accomplished by the use of disinfectants. Having, as I hope, made this clear.

Any chemical agent which destroys or masks bad odors is commonly spoken of as a disinfectant, and there are a large number of so called "disinfectants" in the market which are simply deodorants and which are entirely untrustworthy for the destruction of infectious material—that is, material containing living disease germs.

These disease germs belong to the class of low vegetable organisms—microscopic plants—known as bacteria, which as a rule thrive better in the darkness than when exposed to daylight, and some of them are quickly destroyed by exposure to direct sunlight. In experiments made by me in 1893 it was demonstrated that the cholera bacillus is infallibly killed by exposure to direct sunlight for an hour or two, and the distinguished German bacteriologist, Dr. Robert Koch, has shown that the bacillus of consumption—tubercle bacillus—is destroyed by similar exposure in a time varying from a few minutes to several hours, depending upon the thickness of the layer of material in which it is imbedded.

As a result of this it is evident that the material coughed up by patients with consumption and containing tubercle bacilli in vast numbers is far less dangerous to the community in regions where the patient can live out of doors and where the sun shines nearly every day in the year.

Some disease germs which are not killed outright by exposure to the sun's rays are greatly restrained in their development. This is true of the bacillus of typhoid fever. Although it has been shown by carefully conducted experiments that certain disease germs are promptly destroyed by the luminous radiations from the sun, and especially by those at the violet end of the solar spectrum, it is also true that the heat rays play an important part in the destruction of harmful bacteria.

This is partly due to the fact that certain disease germs are quickly destroyed by being deprived of all moisture—by desiccation. Thus the germs of cholera and of pneumonia quickly perish when completely dried.

Other germs, however, as those of typhoid fever, of diphtheria and of consumption, may retain their vitality in a dried condition for several months. But the germs of all these diseases are destroyed by a comparatively low temperature. In experiments which I made several years ago I ascertained that the germs of pneumonia and of cholera were killed by exposure for a few minutes to a temperature of 126 degrees F.

A still lower temperature is effective if the time of exposure is prolonged. It is therefore evident that prolonged exposure to the direct rays of the sun would destroy these germs independently of the disinfecting power or germicidal action of the luminous rays or the fatal results of desiccation.

Other disease germs require a higher temperature for their destruction. The typhoid bacillus and the bacillus of diphtheria are killed by exposure to a temperature of 140 degrees F. for ten minutes. In general, it may be stated that this temperature is fatal to all the most important disease germs.

The facts stated furnish a scientific basis for practical disinfection, and it is evident that when sunshine is available no chemical agents are essential for the destruction of disease germs. Any article of food or drink which has been heated for a few minutes to something near the boiling point of water is absolutely safe, so far as any danger from disease germs is concerned, and any article of clothing which has been put through the ordinary operations of the laundry is as safe as if it had been placed for an hour in an expensive steam disinfector or immersed in a strong disinfecting solution.

It will be seen that scientific investigations fully justify the practice of good housewives, who at frequent intervals expose their blankets and articles of woolen clothing, which cannot be placed in boiling water without injury, to a prolonged sun bath, who scald out milk pans and kitchen utensils and place them in the sun to dry and who open up their sleeping apartments for the admission of sunlight and fresh air.—Surgeon General Sternberg in Youth's Companion.

APHORISMS.

Observe your enemies, for they first find out your faults.—Antisthenes.

Envy always implies conscious inferiority wherever it resides.—Pliny.

The less heart a man puts into a task the more labor it requires.—Amiel.

Evasion is unworthy of us and is always the intimate of equivocation.—Balzac.

The same people who can deny others everything are famous for refusing themselves nothing.—Leigh Hunt.

If there is any person to whom you feel dislike, that is the person of whom you ought never to speak.—R. Cecil.

The chief pang of most trials is not so much the actual suffering itself as our own spirit of resistance to it.—Jean Grou.

There is no beautifier of complexion or form or behavior like the wish to scatter joy, and not pain, around us.—Emerson.

Success is sweet, the sweeter if long delayed and attained through manifold struggles and defeats.—A. Bronson Alcott.

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When the noted guests were all assembled and the contracting parties with attendants in their respective stations, the preacher began the ceremonies by reading the following text: "And when Noah was one hundred and forty years old he took unto himself a wife," then, turning the page, he continued, "300 cubits in length, 50 cubits in width and 30 cubits in depth and within and without besmeared with pitch." The story seemed a little strong, but he could not doubt the Bible, and, after reading it once more and reflecting a moment, he turned to the startled assemblage with these remarks, "My beloved brethren, this is the first time in the history of my life that my attention has been called to this important passage of the Scriptures, but it seems to me that it is one of the most forcible illustrations of that grand eternal truth that the nature of woman is exceedingly difficult to comprehend.—Starlight Messenger.

Value of Time.

The value of odd minutes is illustrated by a story told in a curious little volume of advice printed in England. A large firm required a manager for one of its departments and appointed 12 o'clock for arrangement of terms with the selected applicant. He arrived at five minutes past 12, to find a dozen directors waiting, the chairman watch in hand. The chairman announced that they could not engage a subordinate who had wasted an hour of his employers' time, and on the applicant deprecating such exaggeration the chairman explained that each director had wasted five minutes and that made an hour in all.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Nov. 30, 1902.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48	No. 40
Lv Wilmington	9.30 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Gladstone	12.21 p m	9 38 p m
Ar Wilson	1.15 p m	10 40 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11.35 p m
Ar Norlk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 53 p m	1.45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6.32 p m	3.25 a m
Ar Richmond	7.45 p m	4.07 a m
Ar Washington	11.40 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.25 a m	9 10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 05 a m	11 25 a m
Ar New York	7.08 a m	1 52 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 141	No. 49
Lv New York	9 00 a m	9 30 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11.30 a m	12 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 44 p m	2 37 a m
Ar Washington	2 20 p m	3.45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	6.50 p m	8.30 a m
Ar Petersburg	7 32 p m	9 13 a m
Ar Weldon	9 04 p m	11 22 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 07 P m	12 59 p m
Ar Wilson	10.48 p m	1.46 p m
Ar Gladsboro	7.16 a m	3.55 p m
Ar Wilmington	10.10 a m	5.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6.00 a m	3.45 p m	7.00 p m
Ar Florence	9.25 a m	7.20 p m	2.55 a m
Ar Charleston	1.10 p m	11 15 p m	5.45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 35 p m	3.00 a m	7.55 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	9.00 a m	12 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7.00 p m	10.00 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.
Lv Tampa	8.05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7.30 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Savannah	1.10 p m	1.15 a m
Ar Charleston	5.15 p m	6.25 a m
Ar Florence	8.03 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Wilmington	11.45 p m	1.40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar. 8.00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 21 p m	Ar. 5.00 p m
Ar Sanford	1 50 p m	Lv. 3.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday.	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	2.32 p m	Ar. 12 08 p m
Ar Newbern	5.40 p m	Lv. 9 03 a m

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SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

Schedule in Effect Nov. 22.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington at 3:30 P. M., arrives Lumberton 5:44 P. M., Pembroke 6:10 P. M., Maxton 6.40 P. M., Hamlet 7:25 P. M., Charlotte 10:22 P. M.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:0 1A. M., Hamlet at 8:25 A. M., arrives Maxton 9:10 A. M., Pembroke 9:45 A. M., Lumberton 10.08 A. M., Wilmington 12.30 noon.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	9 45 p m	7.40 a m
Ar Monroe	11 25 a m	9 15 a m
Ar Charlotte	.....	10.35 a m
Ar Chester	12.51 a m	10.30 a m
Ar Greenwood	3.25 a m	12.27 p m
Ar Athens	2 52 a m	5 58 p m
Ar Atlanta	7.35 a m	4.00 p m

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SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	9 45 p m	7.35 a m
Ar Columbia	1.75 a m	11 50 a m
Ar Savannah	2 35 a m	4 55 p m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 a m	9 15 p m
Ar Tampa	6.45 p m	6.00 a m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10.40 p m	7.50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1.30 a m	11.10 a m
Ar Norlina	3.32 a m	1.07 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7.15 a m	6.35 p m
Lv Hamlet	10.40 p m	8.40 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 30 a m	11.45 a m
Ar Norlina	3.32 a m	1.35 a m
Ar Petersburg	5.53 a m	4.07 p m
Ar Richmond	6.35 a m	4.55 p m
Ar Washington	10.10 a m	5.30 p m
Ar Baltimore	11.25 a m	11.35 p m
Ar New York	4.15 p m	6.30 a m

Train 40 leaving Hamlet at 8.25 a. m. takes passengers from train 31, leaving New York at 12.35 p. m.; Baltimore at 5.45 p. m.; Washington 7.00 p. m.; Richmond 10.37 p. m.; Portsmouth 9.05 p. m.; Norfolk 8.30 p. m.; Raleigh 4.15 a. m. arriving at Hamlet at 7.00 a. m. From train 35, leaving Atlanta 1.00 p. m.; Athens 2.57 p. m.; Chester 4.15 a. m.; Charlotte 5.01 a. m.; Monroe 5.40 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 7.50 a. m.

From train 66 leaving Jacksonville 4.30 p. m.; Savannah 12.10 p. m.; Columbia 8.55 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 8.30 a. m.

Through Pullman sleepers from Hamlet to all points North, South and Southwest.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Passenger Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. Passenger Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 22	Kinston	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 37	9 50
7 05	7 07	Morehead City	7 35	7 37
P.M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.55 A. M. and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.00 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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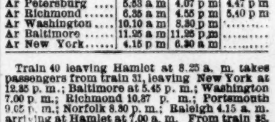

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Winter Schedule, in Effect Nov vember 25th, 1902.

LEAVE FRONT AND PRINCESS STREETS

At *7:00, 9:00, *10:00, 11:00 A. M. *12:00, 1:00, *2:00, 3:00, *4:00, 5:00, *6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00 P. M.

LEAVE WRIGHTSVILLE FOR WILMINGTON.

At *8:00, 10:00, *11:00 A. M. 12:00, *1:00, 2:30, *3:30, 4:50, *5:30, 6:00, *6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30 P. M.

LEAVE WRIGHTSVILLE FOR OCEAN VIEW.

At 9:30, *10:30, 11:30 A. M. *12:30, 1:30, *2:30 3:30, *4:40, 5:30 P. M.

LEAVE OCEAN VIEW.

At 9:45, *10:45, 11:45 A. M. *12:45, 2:15, *3:15, 4:15, 5:15, *5:45 P. M.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING. DECEMBER 16.

THE VENEZUELAN SITUATION.

Regarded by Senators and Representatives as Serious, But Not Thought United States Will be Involved.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The situation in Venezuela is causing considerable comment among senators and there are indications that a resolution of inquiry may be introduced at an early day. This proceeding would in all probability have been instituted to-day but for the fact that assurances were received from the State Department that the department's information is quite meagre. If the question comes up it will probably be dealt with in executive session.

Secretary Hay was in conference at the White House for a short time with the President to-day regarding Venezuelan affairs. Senator Cullom and Representative Hitt, the heads of the two committees on foreign affairs of Congress, also saw the President, but it was stated that little attention was given to Venezuela.

Among senators and representatives who have discussed the Venezuelan question with the President, the situation is regarded as serious, but it is not generally believed to be likely that the United States will become involved in the controversy.

SENATOR PRITCHAD.

Favors Reduction of Representation of the South in National Conventions.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—At the White House to-day, Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, declared himself in favor of the reduction of the representation of the South in Republican national conventions. To Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania, and a group of newspaper men, Senator Pritchard said that he would support any properly directed effort made to reduce the representation of the Southern States in national conventions. "I believe," said he, "that that is the only fair method and I am in favor of it. The representation of all States in Republican conventions should be in accordance with the number of Republican votes cast in the several States."

Senator Quay expressed his gratification that Senator Pritchard had taken that stand, and remarked sententiously: "I am with you."

Senator Pritchard explained that he did not favor cutting down the representation of the Southern States in Congress, as he did not think that could be done constitutionally.

TENEMENT HOUSE FIRE

Three Members of One Family Lost Their Lives—Others Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Three lives were lost in a tenement house fire in First avenue and 126th street to-day. The dead: Mrs. Mary Bond, 32 years; Raymond Bond, 7 years old; Rose Bond, 5 years old.

Edward Bond, 35 years old, was severely burned about the hands and face, while trying to save his family and Helen Bond, two years old, was also severely burned about the hands and face. The loss on the building and contents was $8,000.

The Bonds lived on the top floor of the tenement, which was five stories high. There were sixteen families in the house but all except the Bonds got out safely.

IN U. S. SUPREME COURT.

Case of the State of South Dakota vs. the State of North Carolina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—In the case of the State of South Dakota vs. the State of North Carolina, which holds a place "original" in the docket of the United States Supreme Court, the statement was made to-day in the court that all the depositions had been taken and the court was asked to fix a day for hearing the case. The chief justice replied that the application would have consideration and said that in the meantime the testimony could be filed. The case involves the validity of a railroad bond which was guaranteed by North Carolina and which has been acquired by the school fund of South Dakota.

DEATH OF MRS. GRANT.

She Died Sunday Night Last at Her Home in Washington, D C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant, wife of President Grant, died at her residence in this city at 11:47 to-night. Death was due to heart failure, Mrs. Grant having suffered for some years from valvular disease of the heart, which was aggravated by a severe attack of bronchitis. Her age prevented her rallying from the attack. Her daughter, Nellie Grant Sartoris, was the only one of her children with her at the time of death, the three sons who had been summoned here all being out of the city.

WOMAN MURDERED.

Her Throat Cut From Ear to Ear and Her Lower Limbs Cut Off.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVE OAK, FLA., Dec. 15.—Alice Hopkins was murdered here yesterday by John Burns, her throat being cut from ear to ear and her lower limbs cut off. Two families lived in the same house and fighting had occurred whenever they attempted to get the woman to leave. Poison had been administered to her also. Burns is in jail.

A Frightened Horse,

Running like mad down the street, dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy, and there is none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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SENATE AND HOUSE BOTH IN SESSION.

Omnibus Statehood Bill and Bill to Promote the Efficency of Militia Discussed.

UNION RAILROAD STATION.

To be Built in Washington at a Cost of $4,000,000—Bill Has Passed Both Houses—Urgent Deficiency Bill Passed the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The Senate to-day discussed the bill to promote the efficiency of the militia and also the omnibus statehood bill. After agreeing to the concurrent resolution of the House for an adjournment from December 20th to Jan. 5th, Senator Proctor called up the militia bill. An amendment by Senator Pettus striking from the bill Section 24, having particular reference to the reserve force of trained men, provoked some discussion, Senator Pettus raising the point that the section if enacted into law would be an infringement of the constitutional authority of the States and place the control of the militia of the several States into the hands of the general government.

The bill was laid aside for the omnibus Statehood bill, Senator Dillingham, of Vermont, who is opposed to the bill, occupying the time of the Senate for the remainder of the day in rehearsing the testimony taken by the sub-committee of the committee on territories during its tour of investigation in Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma. After a brief executive session the Senate adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The House to-day passed the Senate bill for a union railroad station in this city, to cost $4,000,000. The station is to be situated north of the present site of the Baltimore and Ohio depot at Delaware and Massachusetts avenues and in front of it is to be a large plaza park. The Pennsylvania, by the terms of the bill, is to remove its tracks from the mall and reach the site of the proposed station through a tunnel to run between the capitol and library buildings. The government is to pay the Pennsylvania railroad $1,500,000 and the Baltimore and Ohio $500,000 in addition to providing for the plaza park. The House also passed an Urgent Deficiency bill which carried among the other items an appropriation of $500,000 for eradicating the foot and mouth disease in New England.

The Senate amendments to the strike commission bill were disagreed to and the bill sent to conference.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Cannon, Barney and Livingston as conferees on the part of the House.

At 5:30 the House adjourned.

ROUND HOUSE COLLAPSED.

Several Workmen Injured and a Number of Locomotives Damaged.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—The roof and supports of the round house in the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's West Philadelphia yards, to-day collapsed, burying more than a score of workmen and thirty-one locomotives. A fire broke out in the ruins but the flames were quickly extinguished. Several of the injured sustained broken limbs, but none was seriously hurt.

The roof of the structure, which was erected many years ago, was of wood covered with slate, supported by iron uprights. It is believed the weight of snow and ice which had lain on the roof since Saturday weakened the building. Seventeen locomotives were badly damaged.

COLOMBIA AND NICARAGUA.

Officers of Colombian Army Making Arrangements to Invade Nicaragua.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Whatever doubt existed in Nicaragua as to the intention of Colombia to carry out her threat to attack her as soon as her own revolutionary movement had been quelled, has been removed by the receipt of advices of a semi-official character that the Colombian army officers at Panama and Colon are steadily but quietly making ready for an invasion of Nicaragua. It is stated that there is a double reason for the attack. In the first place Colombia wishes to take forcible possession of the Mosquito strip, which would give control of both routes available for an isthmian canal, and so enable her to make her own terms; and, second, she must find congenial employment for the Colombian soldiers.

MURDERED AND ROBBED.

Woman Found in Her Store With Her Brains Knocked Out.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Dec. 15.—Mrs. A. Costello, an Italian woman, was found on the floor of her storehouse in Blockton, this afternoon, with her brains knocked out and a bloody hatchet by her side. A negro was seen to run from the building shortly before the body was discovered, and as $600 of Mrs. Costello's money was missing it is believed he murdered and robbed her. A negro answered the description of the fleeing man, was captured.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S FLEET.

Engaged in Tactical Evolutions Preliminary to the Exercises.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO, Dec. 15.—Admiral Dewey, commanding the battleship fleet, with the exception of the Massachusetts, sailed for Culebra this morning and engaged the vessels in tactical evolutions. The warships will return here at 4 o'clock. These evolutions are preliminary to the great exercises which are to follow the holidays.

Senator Morgan has introduced a bill fixing the compensation of members of the Isthmian Canal Commission at $5,000 per annum each. The salary of the chief engineer is placed at $10,000; that of the paymaster-in-chief at $5,000 and that of the chief surgeon at $6,000.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

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TO RELIEVE THE MONEY STRINGENCY.

New York Banks Pool Fifty Million Dollars to Lend in the Money Market in case of an Emergency.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A number of banks of this city and J. P. Morgan & Company have formed a pool of $50,000,000 to lend in the money market in the event of actual emergency.

The pool was organized by George F. Baker, president of the First National Bank. That Bank, J. P. Morgan & Co., the National City Bank, the Chase National Bank, the National Bank of Commerce, the Hanover National Bank, the Fourth National Bank and the Western National have pledged themselves for $5,000,000 each. The Corn Exchange Bank agrees to subscribe $2,500,000 and the Chemical National and the Bank of New York, $1,000,000 each. This measure is really a protecti e one and it is not apprehended that any of the money will be actually needed. It will be put out, however, should the occasion arise.

The following will manage the pool money: J. Pierpont Morgan, George F. Baker, president of the First National Bank, and James Stillman, president of the National City Bank. Following the precedent established by the late F. D. Tappen, who managed such pools in similar cases, the money will be put out "at the market rate" in unlimited amount. In this way the interest rate will be kept down to the legal rate, or lower, if it is considered necessary.

BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Debate on Venezuela Matter—Government's Action Explained—No Infraction of the Monroe Doctrine.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The House of Commons was crowded this evening to hear the debate on the Venezuelan matter. Lord Cranborne, under secretary for the foreign office, in reply to Liberal criticism, said that Great Britain had to perform police duty among the nations and had to prevent Venezuela from breaking the law of nations. The United States took the sensible view that Great Britain's insistence that Venezuela should meet her engagements was no infraction of the Monroe Doctrine. "No country has been more anxious than Great Britain," said Cranborne "to assist the American government in maintaining that doctrine."

This remark was greeted with cheers.

Lord Cranborne said also that the blockade would be carried out with every regard for the interests of neutrals.

The Liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, then voiced his strong dissatisfaction with Lord Cranborne's speech. He complained of the lack of information about the German and British claims, which he said seemed to be on a different footing. The speaker said he was an advocate of the best possible feeling between the two countries, but that in this matter Great Britain seemed to be bound hand and foot to Germany.

Premier Balfour declared there was no justification for the assumption that the Government was prepared to go to war for Venezuelan bondholders. The crux of the matter was a series of outrages by Venezuelans on British seamen and ship-owners for which not only had compensation been refused, but Great Britain's remonstrances had been entirely disregarded. It was an intolerable situation and the premier denied that the government had been hasty.

Mr. Balfour declared that in so far as the financial claims were concerned the Government was prepared to agree to a tribunal to assess them equitably. He added also that the United States government had not suggested arbitration. The premier said he understood that it was from Venezuela through the United States that the suggestion for arbitration had come. On that point he would only say it was unfortunate that Venezuela should not have thought of the advantages of arbitration during the long period covered by these controversies. The premier said he would say nothing for or against this idea.

Replying to questions, Premier Balfour said Italy was sending warships to Venezuelan waters, but that there was no agreement between Italy and Great Britain as there was between Great Britain and Germany.

DARING BANDITS.

Foiled in an Attempt to Rob a Bank at Alvord, Texas.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

ALVORD, TEX., Dec. 15.—Three white men made a daring attempt to hold up the cashier and rob the First National Bank of Alvord this afternoon. One of the would-be robbers, Frank Martin, was killed; another, John McFall, is desperately wounded, and the third, Claude Golden, is in custody. The bank officials had been notified by Constable John Dobbs, of Chic, that an attempt would be made to rob the bank to-day. Deputy Sheriff Prior and Constables Yeary and Dobbs took positions in and around the bank. Martin, McFall and Golden rode up to the bank about 3 o'clock and McFall and Golden entered the bank and demanded money. They were covered by Yeary and Dobbs and ordered to surrender. McFall made a move as if to fire on Yeary, when the deputy shot him through the head. Golden thereupon surrendered to Dobbs. Martin, who was holding the horses, on hearing the firing, mounted and attempted to escape. Yeary and Prior opened fire, killing him instantly.

SYMPATHY IN ECUADOR.

Demonstration in Behalf of Venezuela in the City of Guayaquil.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR, Dec. 15.—A patriotic demonstration took place here last night. A large number of people who had attended a meeting went to the Venezuelan and to all the other South American consulates, shouting: "Long live Castro!" "Long live Venezuela!" and "Long live the South American countries!"

The participants in the demonstration before dispersing adopted a resolution asking President Plaza to protest officially against the action of the allied powers.

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Only a Few Persons Injured by the Shelling—Commander of the Castle Taken Prisoner—British Force of Marines Occupied the Castle.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PUERTO CABELLO, Dec. 14.—The British cruiser Charybdis and the German cruiser Vineta have bombarded the fortress here. They quickly silenced it. The Charybdis and the Vineta arrived here this morning. The captain of the English merchant steamer Topaz, which was seized by the mob last Wednesday, visited the English commodore on board the Topaz The populace were greatly agitated and raised the cry, "To arms!" but no incident occurred. The commodore then sent a demand to the authorities for immediate satisfaction for having pulled down the British flag from the Topaz and advised the government that if satisfaction was not forthcoming in two hours, the fortress and the custom house would be bombarded. The authorities, on the receipt of this demand, sent a message to President Castro asking for instructions. At 5 o'clock the Charybdis and Vineta opened fire on the fortress and the custom house. The fort replied, but was soon silenced. No damage was done to the town. The United States consul went on board the two cruisers and was informed by their commanders that they had come to this port in search of the Venezuelan warships. The bombardment lasted for 45 minutes. The fortress is composed of Fort Solano and the Castle Libertador. After the firing ceased, the Charybdis sent marines to occupy the castle. The fortress was almost completely demolished. It is probable that only a few persons were injured by the shelling. The commander of Castle Libertador has been taken prisoner. The cruisers are still here.

Italy Will Participate.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The Foreign Office informed the Associated Press to-day that Italy will participate in the blockade by agreement with the allies and that a portion of the coast will be assigned to the Italian ships. The proceedings against Venezuela thus become in every respect tripartite.

The Arbitration Proposals.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Associated Press has reason to believe that orders will be sent to the British commander in Venezuelan waters to take no further aggressive action at present, pending a decision being arrived at on the proposal for arbitration. This comes in the form of a proposal through the United States government to submit the claims of British and German subjects to arbitration, which Lord Lansdowne announced later in the day in the House of Lords is "now under consideration by the British government."

Lord Lansdowne added: "We are greatly indebted to the good offices of the United States minister at Caracas."

In Ambassador Choate's absence Charge d'Affaires White is making every effort to arrange some pacific method of settlement of the dispute between Great Britain and Venezuela. He is in constant communication with the State Department at Washington. Nothing definite has yet been arranged, but the Associated Press understands that there is some hope of further hostilities being averted. The negotiations are handicapped by the absence from London of several of the cabinet ministers as before an answer can be given the cabinet will probably have to meet. No decision is expected before Wednesday.

It was learned this evening that the proposals now before the British government are the original proposals forwarded by Minister Bowen, but which now have received a strong support from the United States government.

An expression of a desire for a peaceful settlement of the difficulties has been received in London from the Venezuelan government.

Depending Upon United States.

CARACAS, Dec. 15.—Inaction reigns in government circles here. The officials do not know what to do, and are depending entirely upon the United States to assist them.

A movement is on foot here, headed by prominent doctors and lawyers, to request President Castro to resign and to ask Vice President Ramon Ayala to assume the presidency and form a cabinet without party tendencies. It is also proposed to summon Congress to appoint a temporary president and arrange the questions in dispute in a manner satisfactory to all concerned.

The Venezuelan government announces that Great Britain has reopened the navigation of the Orinoco river. Two warships will patrol the mouths of the river and the river itself. This measure applies only to foreign ships. Vessels flying the Venezuelan flag are excluded.

To Destroy More Forts.

The government reports that the German cruiser Panther is going to Maracaibo to destroy the forts there.

Minister Bowen, at the request of the Dutch consul, Dr. Van Leyden, who is sick at Curacos, has taken charge of Dutch interests here. The leading merchants at LaGuaira arrived here last night, abandoning that port owing to fear that it will be shelled today.

The German cruiser Vineta is going to visit Margueríta, an island in the Caribbean sea belonging to Venezuela, thirty miles north of Cumana.

At 5 o'clock yesterday four loud explosions alarmed the city of Porto Cabello. On investigation it was found that British marines had blown up the subterranean prison cells of Castle Libertador with dynamite. They also burned all the wooden buildings surrounding the castle and carried away everything that could be transported.

The Venezuelan government warship Miranda escaped the vigilance of the German cruisers Falke and Panther, which were searching for her, and arrived at Maracaibo yesterday.

A Captured Gunboat.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Lieutenant Commander Tuerk, first officer of the German cruiser Gazelle, has taken command of the captured Venezuelan gunboat Restaurador, which is now flying the German flag. So soon as the Restaurador has completed her equipment at Port of Spain, Island of Trinidad, she will be utilized in the German operations against Venezuela.

Opinion in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Minister Bowen has confirmed the press reports to the effect that the guns of the allied fleets which bombarded Puerto Cabello Saturday were directed entirely at the fortifications and not at the town.

Regretable as it was, this statement relieves the affair of the first suspicion that it constituted a violation of international law, in the fact that twenty-four hours' notice was not served of the bombardment. The requirement as to notice applies to unfortified or fortified towns where the fire must be directed upon the inhabitants, and this was not the case at Puerto Cabello, so that while the officials here regret that the firing took place they have as yet no cause to protest.

But it is now probable that the United States will break its attitude of inactivity in the event that an attempt is made to enforce the "peaceful blockade" toward an American ship. When the allies were considering ways and means of bringing Venezuela to terms and a blockade of this character had been decided upon, the German government informed the United States that when the blockade was established it would turn back all shipping, though no effort would be made to seize these ships. The United States government made no response to this statement at the time (last year), not feeling called upon to do so before the presentation of an actual case.

Must Not Interfere With American Ships.

But now that the blockade is sought to be established, Secretary Hay has informed the German government that American ships should not be interfered with in their trading, except inhibition applies to all shipping; and further the note intimates a disapproval of any stoppage at all. It is within the legal right of the allies to close these ports, but probably this can be accomplished without protest on our part only after a formal declaration of war. The hope is growing here that such a declaration can, after all, be avoided owing to the energy with which Mr. Bowen has acted.

Too Late for Arbitration.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—In official quarters here it is said that the Venezuelan vessels sunk off LaGuaira were old and worthless revenue cutters and unfit to go to sea and that the other ships captured have been sent to a certain West Indian port to be refitted for use during the blockade. The destruction of the Venezuelan craft, it is added, was necessary in order to prevent them from falling into the hands of the Venezuelans, as the German vessels had to leave LaGuaira.

Venezuela's proposition, through Minister Bowen, to submit the questions in dispute to arbitration, has now been received here. The foreign office says this will not delay German and Great Britain's measures previously decided upon. The officials here do not indicate what will be the final decision in the arbitration proposition, but it was apparently made too late to affect the general situation.

Sent Monroe Doctrine Sky-High.

ROME, Dec. 15.—In the Chamber of Deputies to-day Foreign Minister Prinetti, replying to an interpellation, made a statement on the subject of Italy's attitude towards Venezuela. He reviewed the causes leading up to the Anglo-German action, and said: "Italy on her side claims damages for her citizens who sustained losses during the insurrection which has disturbed the republic since April, the Italian minister at Caracas having exhausted all effort to bring about a friendly adjustment presented a list of claims reduced to a total of $2,81,206

Continuing, the foreign minister said as soon as he was informed of the Anglo-German action he addressed London and Berlin proposing to participate in the measures these countries were about to undertake, to collect similar claims, and his proposition was favorably received.

The prime minister was followed by Deputy Santini, who expressed confidence in the government's policy and urged accord with Germany and Great Britain. The deputy warned the Italian government to "watch the United States, whose imperialism is a political and commercial menace to Europe, and especially to Italy, the weakest of the great powers."

Deputy Santini declared that the energetic attitude of Germany and Great Britain had "sent the Monroe Doctrine sky-high, as the United States understood it was not dealing with poor Spain."

WARM WIRELETS.

Richmond Pearson having accepted the post of minister to Persia, W. H. Bishop has been appointed to succeed him as consul at Genoa, Italy.

Railway traffic in portion of Arkansas if impeded in consequence of heavy rains in the past forty-eight hours. The St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern railroad is the principal sufferer.

Charlie McKeever and "Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien sparred six rounds in Philadelphia last night. O'Brien appeared to be in better condition than his opponent and was fresher at the finish.

The postoffices at Coleman, Kestler and Dowdy, Georgia, were destroyed by fire last night. Only stamps were lost at Coleman, but all the money and stamps on hand were burned at Kestler and Dowdy.

A Memphis dispatch says railway traffic is badly demoralized in all directions because of washouts and the flooded condition of the rivers and streams, caused by the continuous rains of the past three days.

Murder in the second degree was the verdict returned last night against J. Wilfred Blondin, who for more than two weeks has been on trial in the Suffolk, Mass., superior court, charged with wife murder.

The Congregation of the Propaganda at Rome has decided to propose to the Pope the appointment of Bishop James E. Quigley, of Buffalo, N. Y., as archbishop of Chicago, in succession to the late Archbishop Feehan.

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Received to-day, a big line of birds and parrots—good black parrots 50c each; large birds are 69c and 98c each. In veilings we have lots of different styles; chiffon veilings with dots at 25c per yard, in all colors; pretty silk veiling for 10c per yard

In ladies' Cloaks we have had a phenomenal success this season; we have carried the stock of the town. Just received, 21 new cloaks to-day. Our prices are what counts—when a customer gives us an opportunity to show our goods and make a price we never fail to make a sale.

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In furs we are showing a nice assortment and selling them at the lowest prices. If you are thinking of buying a fur, come to see us—the prices run from $1 to $5 each.

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